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Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application of Emmanuel Custodero, Laure Simonot and Jean-Claude Tardivat, entitled CARBON BLACK COATED WITH AN ALUMINOUS LAYER AND PROCESS FOR OBTAINING SAME,

which includes:

- ☒ Specification 29 Total Pages
- ☒ Claims 5 Total Pages
- ☒ Abstract 1 Total Pages
- ☒ Drawing(s) 2 Total Sheets
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- ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney **WILL FOLLOW**
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- ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)  
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- ☒ An Assignment of the invention to Michelin & Cie.  
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